

November 4, 1999

Financial Affairs  
Richard H. Hinds, Chief Financial Officer

**SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO UTILIZE OTHER ENTITY BIDS FOR  
PURCHASES OVER \$100,000**

(1)

Authorization is requested to utilize the State of Florida Contract #425-001-97-1 – FURNITURE: OFFICE, which expires on January 15, 2000, to purchase office furniture, for Maintenance and Operations. The district will receive a 55.5% to a 71.72% discount off the manufacturers suggested retail price, on various lines of office furniture, using this contract.

Fund Source  
0100-General

M/WBE ELIGIBILITY  
None

J. C. WHITE OFFICE FURNITURE AND INTERIORS  
7479 CENTRAL INDUSTRIAL DRIVE  
RIVIERA BEACH, FLORIDA 33404 \$286,000  
OWNER: IRWIN KIRSNER

(2)

Authorization is requested to utilize the State of Florida Contract #645-120-96-1 – PAPER: OFFICE, VIRGIN AND RECYCLED, which expires on November 30, 1999, to purchase xerographic paper, for Stores and Mail Distribution, since the manufacturers paper prices have increased, and the prices are lower than the district's bid.

Fund Source  
0100-General

M/WBE ELIGIBILITY  
None

XPEDX  
4051 PHILLIPS HIGHWAY, SUITE 6  
JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA 32203 \$468,000  
OWNER: TOM COSTELLO, PRESIDENT

(3)

Authorization is requested to utilize The School Board of Broward County, Florida, Bid #98-288T – LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS, which expires on November 30, 2000, to purchase propane gas, for various schools. This item is used by the school cafeterias. A bid is being developed for this item.

Fund Source  
0100-General

M/WBE ELIGIBILITY  
None

PEOPLES GAS COMPANY  
P.O. BOX 22798  
FT. LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA 33315  
OWNER: DAVID POWERS

\$300,000

(4)

Authorization is requested to utilize the State of Florida State Negotiated Agreement Price Schedules (SNAPS) #8201441 – OIL PURIFICATION SYSTEM, which expires on April 19, 2000, to purchase school bus filters, for the Department of Transportation. The Department of Transportation had requested additional funds for the district's bid #076-VV07 to purchase these items. However, the filters are available, directly from the manufacturer, using this SNAPS agreement. It is estimated that by using this agreement, the district will receive approximately 40% in savings.

Fund Source  
0100-General

M/WBE ELIGIBILITY  
None

PURADYN FILTER TECHNOLOGIES, INC.  
3020 HIGH RIDGE ROAD, SUITE 100  
BOYNTON BEACH, FLORIDA 33426-8701  
OWNER: RICHARD C. FORD

\$255,000

(5)

Authorization is requested to utilize the Florida Department of Education Bid #99-05 – SCHOOL BUS POOL PURCHASE, which expires on February 23, 2000, to purchase school buses, for the Department of Transportation. Bus companies bid directly, through their dealers, for bus requirements of all sixty-seven (67) counties in the State of Florida, resulting in the most competitive price for school buses as specified by the Department of Education.

Fund Source

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M/WBE ELIGIBILITY

None

THOMAS BUILT BUSES, INC.

P.O. BOX 2450

HIGH POINT, NORTH CAROLINA 27261

\$14,824,974

OWNER: JERRY WHITE

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, **AUTHORIZE** the Bureau of Procurement and Materials Management, to utilize the following contracts:

1. State of Florida Contract #425-001-97-1 – FURNITURE, OFFICE, to purchase office furniture, for Maintenance and Operations, for a total amount of \$286,000.
2. State of Florida Contract #645-120-96-1 – PAPER: OFFICE, VIRGIN AND RECYCLED, to purchase xerographic paper, for Stores and Mail Distribution, for a total amount of \$468,000.
3. The School Board of Broward County, Florida, Bid #98-288T – LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS, to purchase propane gas, for various schools, for a total amount of \$300,000.
4. The State of Florida State Negotiated Agreement Price Schedules (SNAPS) #8201441 – OIL PURIFICATION SYSTEM, to purchase school bus filters, for the Department of Transportation, for a total amount of \$255,000.
5. The Florida Department of Education Bid #99-05 – SCHOOL BUS POOL PURCHASE, to purchase school buses, for the Department of Transportation, for a total amount of \$14,824,974.

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